No. 1520 of 1869.

From

The COLLECTOR of BROACH,

To

The Honourable A. F. BELLASIS,
Revenue Commissioner, N.D.

Broach, 6th August 1869.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith copy of letter No. 1100, dated the 22nd May 1869, from the Collector of Surat, on the subject of the Broach kiraya lands, and to request that you will obtain the sanction of Government to my giving effect to the views therein expressed.

2. In regard to para. 7 of the above quoted letter, I beg to say that I was at first doubtful as to the correctness of the opinion therein given, but my doubt was removed by Mr. Hope informing me that his views had been concurred in by two Vakeels of the High Court to whom he had submitted the leases referred to in the paragraph in question.

3. In regard to the second course proposed in para. 12 of Mr. Hope's letter, I presume that the offer to redeem in perpetuity is not, as a rule, to be made so long as there is a readiness shown to purchase exemption for 99 years, and that, moreover, in any particular case where a difficulty may be experienced in disposing of the land, as recommended by Mr. Hope, the annual levy of the enhanced rates may be resorted to instead.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) J. G. WHITE,
Collector.

No. 4254 of 1869.

Poona, 4th September 1869.

Forwarded to T. C. Hope, Esquire, Collector of Surat, for the favour of his opinion.

The Revenue Commissioner does not understand what is meant by the words "to purchase exemption for 99 years" occurring in para. 3 of Mr. White's letter.

(Signed) A. F. BELLASIS,
Officiating Revenue Commissioner.